### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY	)	
POWER COMPANY FOR (1) A GENERAL	)	
ADJUSTMENT OF ITS RATES FOR ELECTRIC	)	
SERVICE; (2) APPROVAL OF TARIFFS AND	)	
RIDERS; (3) APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTING	)	CASE NO.
PRACTICES TO ESTABLISH REGULATORY	)	2023-00159
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES; (4) A	)	
SECURITIZATION FINANCING ORDER; AND (5)	)	
ALL OTHER REQUIRED APPROVALS AND	)	
RELIEF	)	

### ORDER

On July 10, 2023, Kentucky Power Company (Kentucky Power) filed an application for a securitization financing order pursuant to KRS 278.672.<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to KRS 278.674(3)(a), the costs associated with retaining counsel or financial advisors shall be paid by the applicant and be included as financial costs in the securitization surcharge.<sup>2</sup> On August 2, 2023, the Commission entered an Order dictating the process by which Kentucky Power will remit payment for the costs associated with the Commission's advisers in this case.<sup>3</sup>

The Commission finds that Saber Partners, LLC (Saber) submitted invoices for consulting services for July 1, 2024, through October 31, 2024. The invoices for those

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Kentucky Power tendered its application on June 29, 2023, and the application was rejected for filing deficiencies. On July 10, 2023, Kentucky Power tendered documents to cure the deficiency. The documents cured the deficiency, and the application was deemed filed on July 10, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> KRS 278.674(3)(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Order (Ky. PSC Aug. 2, 2023).

periods are attached as an Appendix to this Order.<sup>4</sup> Kentucky Power should remit payment for the amount of the invoices within 30 days of the date of service of this Order by cashier's check or money payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer and mailed or delivered to the Office of the General Counsel, Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

The Commission also notes that notice was sent on March 19, 2025, pursuant to 200 KAR 5:312, Section 3 to terminate Saber's contract for convenience. That notice, among other things, directed Saber, consistent with previous instructions from the Commission's designated representative, to stop any work associated with the contract. To the extent it has not already done so, Saber should immediately stop any work for the Commission on this matter consistent with the March 19, 2025, notice of termination. To the extent the financing order in this matter contemplates a role for a financial advisor to the Commission, the Commission will amend the financing order or retain another financial adviser to fulfill that role.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Kentucky Power shall remit payment to the Commission for Saber's services rendered as a consultant to the Commission for the period from July 1, 2024, through October 31, 2024.
- 2. Kentucky Power shall remit payment within 30 days of the date of service of this Order.
- 3. The payment shall be a cashier's check or money order made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer that is delivered or postmarked as mailed to the Office of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The total invoiced amount was \$349,482.81.

General Counsel, Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, before the deadline.

4. To the extent it has not already done so, Saber shall stop any work on this matter.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director

**ENTERED** 

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KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## **APPENDIX**

# APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2023-00159 DATED MAR 20 2025

TWELVE PAGES TO FOLLOW

Pursuant to KRS 45A.695, <u>no payment shall be made on any personal service contract</u> unless the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service contract submits its invoice for payment on a form established by the committee.

Invoices shall be submitted every ninety (90) days, unless the personal service contract specifies a different submission time period.

Separate invoices shall be submitted for each distinct matter covered by the personal service contract, and shall be signed by the individual responsible for that matter

The issuance of an invoice to the Commonwealth constitutes an affirmation by the individual, firm, partnership, or corporation awarded the personal service contract that the invoice truly and accurately represents work actually performed, and the expenses actually incurred.

The head of the contracting body shall approve the invoice, indicating that the charges in the invoice reflect the value of the work performed, and all recorded costs and disbursements were reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with the matter invoiced.

NOTE: All questions must be answered fully. If the space provided is insufficient, additional pages should be attached referencing the specifically numbered item. Any questions regarding the invoice requirements should be directed to the contracting agency.

Contract Number: PON2 123 2400003658	Date of Invoice: 08/28/2024
Energy and Environment Cabinet	Public Service Commission
Contracting Body	Division, Branch, etc.
1. Name & Address of Contractor: Saber Partners, LLC 260 Madison Avenue 8th Floor New York, NY 10016 2. Contractor's Tax I.D. Number:	1-148-900
3. Effective Period of Contract: Starting Date: 7-1-24 Ending Date: 6-30-26	4. Combined Total Amount Charged in this Invoice for Services and Reimburseable Disbursements: \$149,450.00
5. Dates of Service Covered under this invoice: Starting Date: Ending Date: 07/31/2024	6. Is this the FINAL invoice for services performed under this contract: YesXXNo

7. Date of most recent invoice submitted prior	r to this invoice: 7-23-24
8. How often is the contractor required to subservice contract:	omit invoices under the terms of the personal
Monthly	
9. Provide a description of the matter covered	l by this invoice:
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10. Provide a full description of each service was performed, the name and title of each inditime the individual spent on the matter:	e provided, including the date each service lividual who worked on the matter, and the
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12. Provide the subject matter and recipient of	of any correspondence:
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14. Provide an itemized list of all disbursement matter invoiced and the total charge for that	matter:
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See Attached.  SIGNATURES:	
Contractor:	Date: 08/28/2024
Title: Chief Executive Officer	
Contracting Body	
Approved by:	Date:
Title:	

TOTAL		- \$	\$ 63,000.00		\$ 5,700.00	\$ 16,150.00	\$ 35,700.00	\$ 28,900.00	\$ 149,450.00
Total Hours July 1-31, 2024		0	42	0	9	19	42	34	
Preparation of Other Materials for Briefing Commission and Staff on Bond Structure	120		40		9	19	42	17	
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RFP Approved Hourly Rate		\$ 850	\$ 1,500	\$ 750	\$ 950	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 850	
	Saber RFP Budget/Per Person	Abramson	Fichera	Heller	Klein	Maher		Sutherland	TOTAL

TOTAL THIS INVOICCE \$ 149,450.00

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Contract Number: PON2 123 24000000 PON2 123 24000036	<del></del>
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Contracting Body	Division, Branch, etc.
<ol> <li>Name &amp; Address of Contractor: Saber Partners, LLC 260 Madison Avenue 8th Floor New York, NY 10016</li> <li>Contractor's Tax I.D. Number: 134-</li> </ol>	-148-900
3. Effective Period of Contract: Starting Date: _7-1-2024 Ending Date: _6-30-26	4. Combined Total Amount Charged in this Invoice for Services and Reimburseable Disbursements: 195.959.00
5. Dates of Service Covered under this invoice: Starting Date: Ending Date: 08/31/2024	6. Is this the FINAL invoice for services performed under this contract:  YesXX No

8. How often is the contractor required to subservice contract:	bmit invoices under the terms of the person al
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SIGNATURES: Dishus	
Contractor:	Date: 01/03/2025
Title: Chief Executive Officer	
Contracting Body	
Approved by:	Date:
Title:	

7. Date of most recent invoice submitted prior to this invoice: 08/28/2024

TOTAL		- \$	\$ 44,400.00	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 11,400.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 10,450.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 43,350.00	\$ 18,700.00	\$ 211,200.00
Total Hours August 1-31, 2024		0,	37	52	12	2	11	4	5.1	22	
Preparation of Other Materials for Briefing Commission and Staff on Bond Structure	120		37	51	12	2	11	4	51	14	
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RFP I Approved Hourly Rate		\$ 850	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,500	\$ 950	\$ 750	\$ 950		\$ 850		
	Saber RFP Budget/Per Person	Abramson	Boada		Fitzgerald \$		Klein	Maher	10000000000000000000000000000000000000		TOTAL

Approved RFP Expenses

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Contractor:	Date: 01/03/2025
Title: Chief Executive Officer	
Contracting Body	
Approved by:	Date:
Title:	

TOTAL		\$	\$ 19,200.00	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 19,950.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 8,550.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 9,350.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 101,850.00
Total Hours August 1-31, 2024		0	16	21	2.1	æ	6	3	11	10	
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Contract Number: PON2 123 240000009	Date of Invoice: 01/03/2023				
PON2 123 240000365	8				
Energy and Environment Cabinet	Public Service Commission				
<b>Contracting Body</b>	Division, Branch, etc.				
<ol> <li>Name &amp; Address of Contractor: Saber Partners, LLC 260 Madison Avenue 8th Floor New York, NY 10016</li> <li>Contractor's Tax I.D. Number: 134-</li> </ol>	148-900				
3. Effective Period of Contract: Starting Date: _7-1-2024 Ending Date: _6-30-26	4. Combined Total Amount Charged in this Invoice for Services and Reimburseable Disbursements: 4082.81				
5. Dates of Service Covered under this invoice: Starting Date: Ending Date: 10/31/2024	6. Is this the FINAL invoice for services performed under this contract: YesXXNo				

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Contractor:	Date: 12/04/2024
Title: Chief Executive Officer	
Contracting Body	
Approved by:	Date:
Title:	

7. Date of most recent invoice submitted prior to this invoice: 08/28/2024

TOTAL		. \$	\$ 25,200.00	\$ 39,000.00	\$ 15,200.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 7,650.00	\$ 109,350.00
Total Hours August 1-31, 2024		0	21	26	16	S	7	2	12	6	
Preparation of Other Materials for Briefing Commission and Staff on Bond Structure	120		21	25	16	2	7	2	. 12	2	
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Approved RFP Expenses

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Bloomberg Subscription 3 months \$	Travel	Goodwill Discount	TOTAL THIS INVOICCE

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